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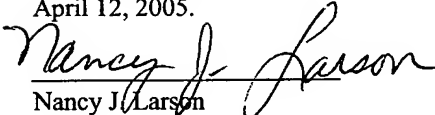
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**RESPONSE**

This response addresses the issues raised in the Office Action mailed February 24, 2005, having a period for response set to expire on May 24, 2005. The following remarks are respectfully submitted.

**Amendment of the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.

**Conclusion** begins on page 10 of this paper.